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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a ONE-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed 26 FEBRUARY 2003, thereby extending the date on which the period of response is set to expire from 26 MAY 2003 to 26 JUNE 2003.

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